

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 227  
By Eckles

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Kerry Leigh Lovelace for  
her meritorious service to the citizens of  
Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body honor those citizens who through  
their personal endeavors are a credit to their family, community and state; and

WHEREAS, one such outstanding person is Kerry Leigh Lovelace, who graciously  
expresses her love for her fellow mankind as Miss Heart of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her laudable service as Miss Heart of Tennessee, she still  
finds time to lend her incredible talents to such noteworthy causes as the Adopt-A-School  
Program; and

WHEREAS, Kerry Lovelace exemplifies the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of  
a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Kerry was born November 20, 1974, and attended Oakland High School in  
Murfreesboro, Tennessee, graduating in 1993; and

WHEREAS, she attended Middle Tennessee State University and will graduate from  
Samford University in May with a Bachelor of Science Degree in both Early Childhood and  
Elementary Education; and

WHEREAS, Kerry was one of the students selected by the Educational Department of  
Samford University to student teach in London, England; and

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WHEREAS, as a contestant in the Miss Tennessee Scholarship Pageant, Kerry was encouraged to select a program in which to become involved and to speak out on issues of concern. For the past three years, Kerry has been promoting the Adopt-A-School Program; and

WHEREAS, her goal has been to form partnerships involving the local businesses, civic organizations and college campuses within the community in a variety of school improvement projects that benefit the school system in achieving excellence; and

WHEREAS, a young woman who realizes that citizenship entails many responsibilities as well as privileges, Kerry has participated in numerous civic concerns, including the MORE reading program (Motivators of Reading Enrichment), the Disability Awareness Program and she represents her local area as one of the Board Members of "HOTPIE"; and

WHEREAS, the countless honors that have been conferred upon her and her many accomplishments aside, Kerry is most appreciative of the love and support she shares with her parents, Fred and Mary Lovelace; brother Mike and sisters Christy, Terri and Laura; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to honor and commend Kerry Lovelace for her dedication to the state of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Kerry Leigh Lovelace for her meritorious service to the state of Tennessee and wish her every continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.